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## **Redondo Beach Man Found Guilty of Killing Girlfriend and Her Mother**

A jury today found a 26-year-old Redondo Beach man guilty of the special circumstance killings of his girlfriend and her mother, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced today.

The jury deliberated for more than two hours before finding Jonathan Scott Chacon guilty of two counts of first-degree murder with a use of knife allegation and a special circumstance allegation of multiple murders.

Case YA083691 was prosecuted by Deputy District Attorneys Lisa Houlè and Ryan Gould.

Chacon will face a sentence of life in prison without the possibility of parole at a hearing scheduled on May 8 in Department F of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Torrance Branch.

The two women were killed on Feb. 28, 2012. Chacon testified at the trial he was defending himself when he sliced the throat of Courtney Bergman, 19, and then did the same with 59-year-old Vicki Bergman in their apartment.

The defendant's 2-year-old son was in the home at the time of the killings, prosecutors said. Chacon fled but was arrested later that day in Rosarito, Mexico, prosecutors added.

The case was investigated by the Redondo Beach Police Department.

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